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GE ... a heritage of innovation

- Founded in 1892
- 300,000 employees worldwide
- \$150 billion in annual revenues
- Only company in Dow Jones index originally listed in 1896





GE today



Aligned for growth



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Market-focused R&D

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- First U.S. industrial lab
- Began 1900 in Schenectady, NY
- Founding principle ... improve businesses through technology
- One of the world's most diverse industrial labs

A tradition of innovation

- 1909Ductile tungsten
- 1913 Medical X-ray
- **1927** First television broadcast reception
- **1932** Langmuir Nobel Prize in chemistry
- **1938** Invisible/glareless glass
- **1942**First US jet engine
- **1953** LEXANTM polycarbonate
- 1955 Man-made diamonds
- **1962** Semi-conductor laser
- **1973** Giaever Nobel Prize in physics
- **1984** Magnetic resonance imaging
- **1994** GE90[®] composite fan blade
- **1999** Digital X-ray
- 2004 Lightspeed VCT
- 2009 Wide Bore 1.5T MR System
- 2010 Energy Smart[®] LED
- 2012 Durathon Battery















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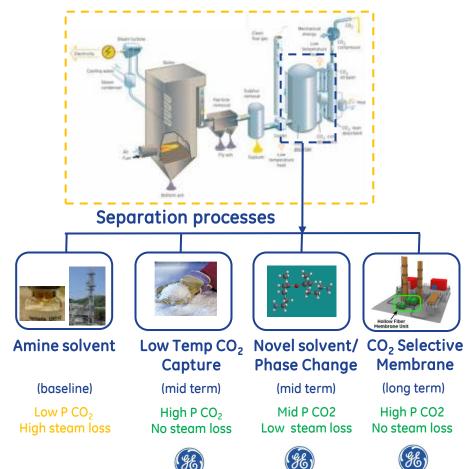
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Carbon Capture Technology Development at GE



CO₂ Capture Technologies

Post-combustion CO₂ capture

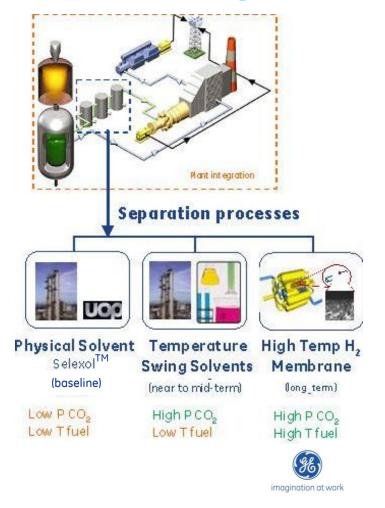


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Pre-combustion CO₂ capture





Aminosilicone Solvents for Post-Combustion CO₂ Capture



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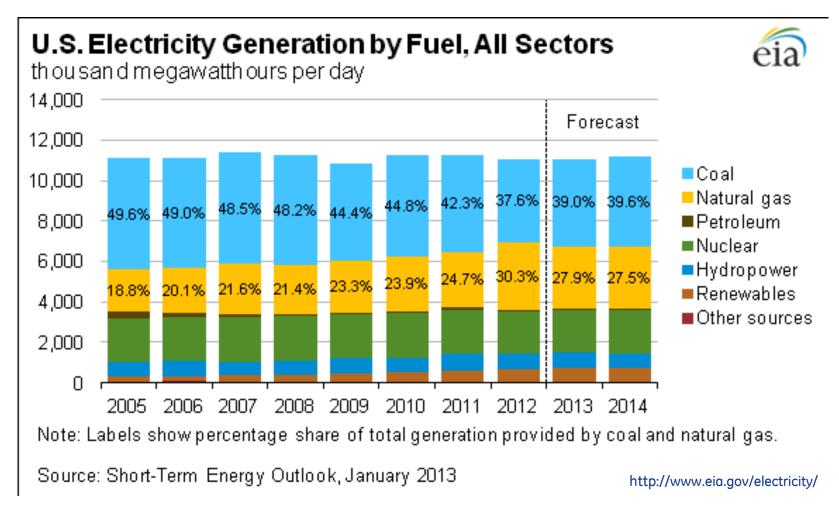








Generation of Electricity

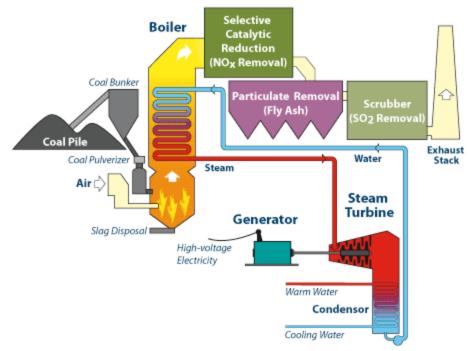


- ~40% of US electricity comes from coal
- This source of power will not be eliminated in near future R. Performance

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Generation of Electricity from Coal

General Process Diagram



- Coal is burned in a boiler to generate steam.
- Steam is used to produce electricity.
- Flue gas from boiler treated to remove solids, NO_x, SO₂.
- CO₂ from combustion currently exhausted to air.

-1400 plants in US produced 318 GW electricity in 2011. -Also released ~1.7 billion tons of CO_2 .

-largest commodity chemical is $H_2SO_4 = 60$ million tons



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http://www.eia.gov/electricity/capacity/

http://www.ucsusa.org/clean_energy/coalvswind/c02c.html



http://www.topsoe.com/sitecore/shell/Applications/~/media/PDF%20files/Topsoe_Catalysis_Forum/2007/Peacock.ashx

CO₂ Capture & Sequestration

CO₂ Capture- Removal of CO₂ from flue gas. Potential approaches:

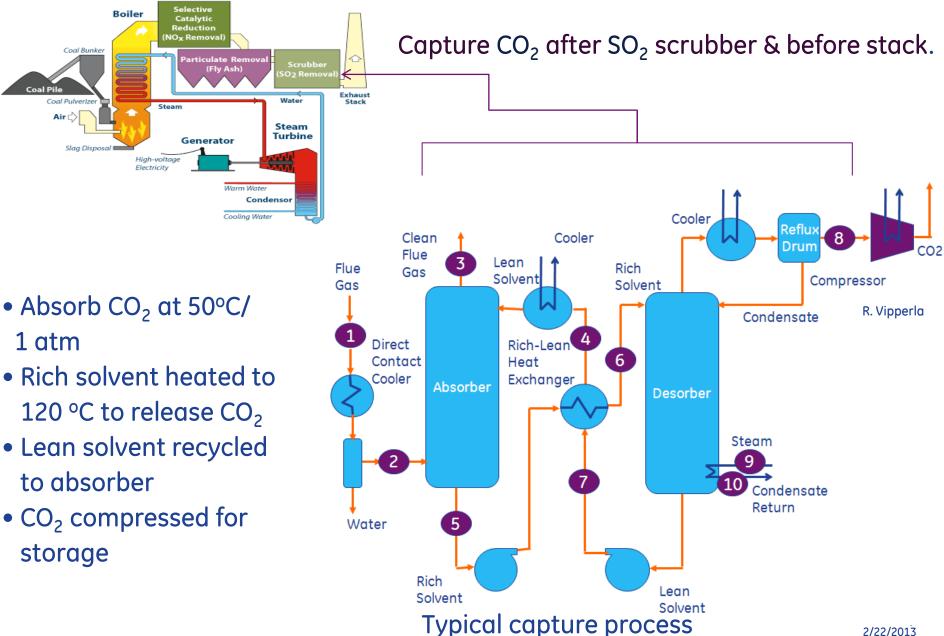
- Chilled ammonia
- <- Aqueous solutions of organic amines>
 - Carbonates
 - Ionic liquids
 - Cryogenics
 - Membranes

CO₂ Use & Sequestration- Storage or use of captured CO₂. Potential approaches:

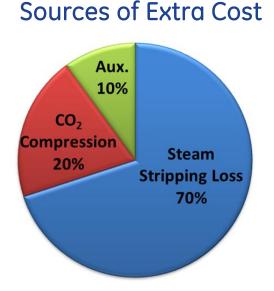
- Geological storage
- Enhanced oil recovery/fracking
- Artificial photosynthesis
- Reduction to fuel (methanol)

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CO₂ Capture Process Schematic



MEA Process Issue - Cost of Electricity (COE)



• 30% power lost in conventional MEA process (~80% increase in COE).

- Significant portion of that due to heating/condensing water
- Other issues with MEA:
 - Corrosivity
 - Thermo-oxidative instability
 - Volatility

New Solvent System

DOE Target: Material & Process with >90% CO_2 capture efficiency & <35% increase in COE vs plant w/o capture

Solvent Properties

- CO₂-philic backbone (physi-sorption) Low/no water CO₂-reactive group (chemi-sorption) Liquid carbamate salt Thermal stability Aminosiloxanes High CO₂ loading High desorption pressure CH_3 Low desorption energy CH_3 H_2N Low volatility High reaction rates
 - Low cost

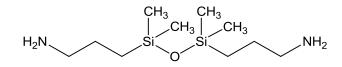






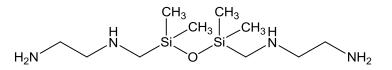
Aminosiloxanes

- High molecular weight amino polysiloxanes used in conditioners for hair & in textile treatment
- Amine content of these commercial polysiloxanes low little CO₂ capacity
- Need low molecular weight monomeric or oligomeric versions
- Commercially available examples:



Bis(aminopropyl)tetramethyldisiloxane

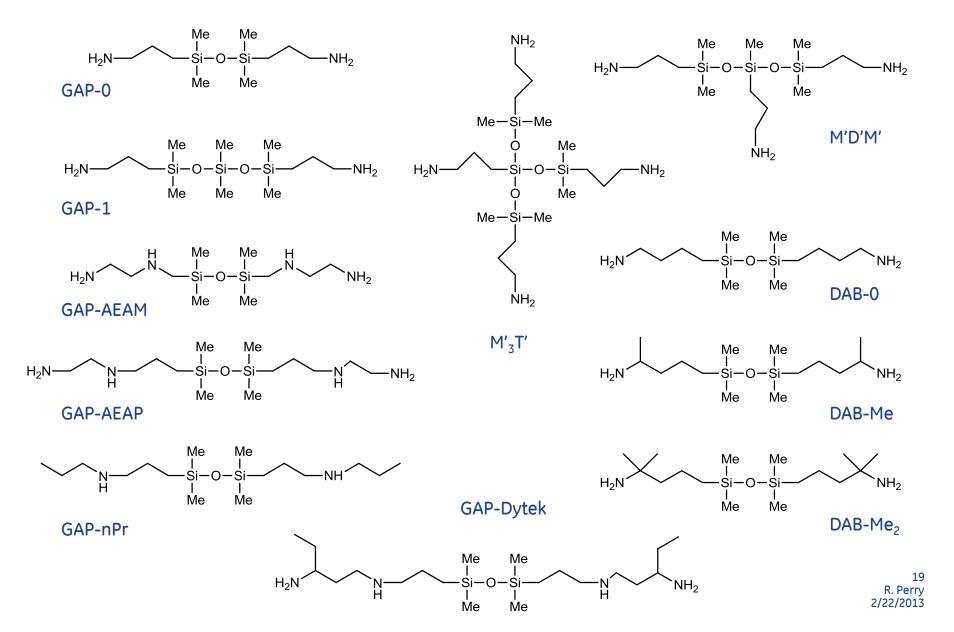
GAP-0



Bis(aminoethylaminomethyl)tetramethyldisiloxane



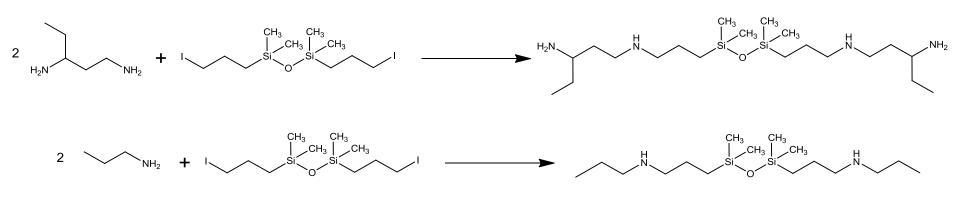
Variety of aminosiloxanes



Synthetic Route 1: Alkylation of Primary Amines



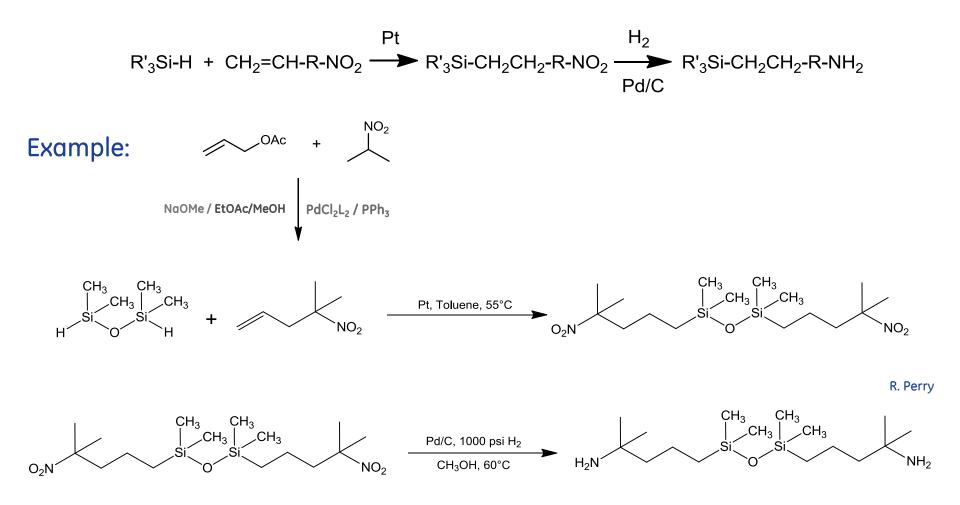
Examples:



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- This method can be problematic => over alkylation is an issue
- Alkyl iodide added to excess amine to mitigate this issue
- Excess amine removed with water washes or vacuum stripping

Synthetic Route 2: Hydrosilylation/Hydrogenation

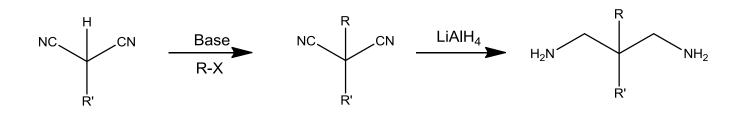


• Hydrosilylation is extremely useful in silicone chemistry.

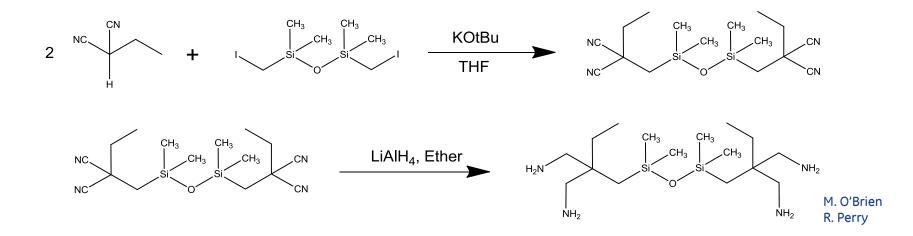


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Synthetic Route 3: Formation of Dinitriles/Reduction



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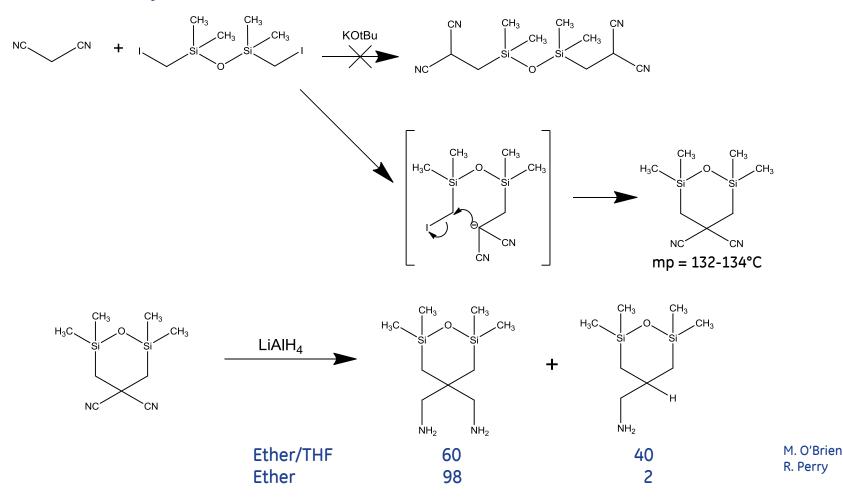


• Allows preparation of highly functional compounds



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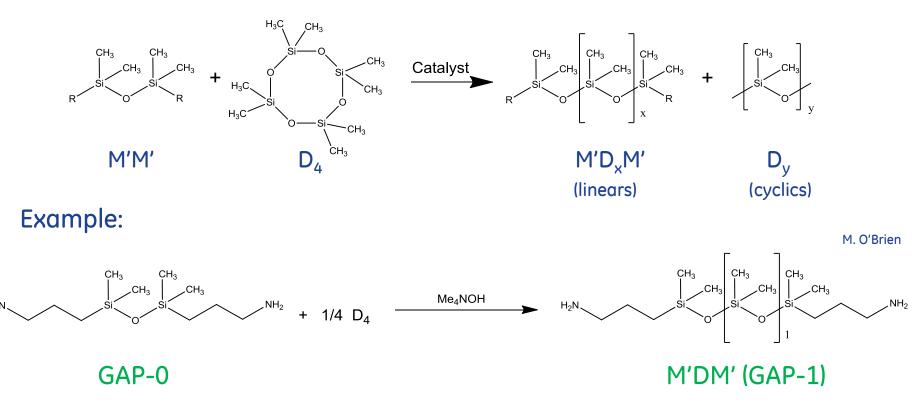
Cyclic Disiloxane Derivatives



- Cyclic disiloxane formed instead of linear material
- Some reductive decyanation seen in LAH
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 Rxn- solvent dependent

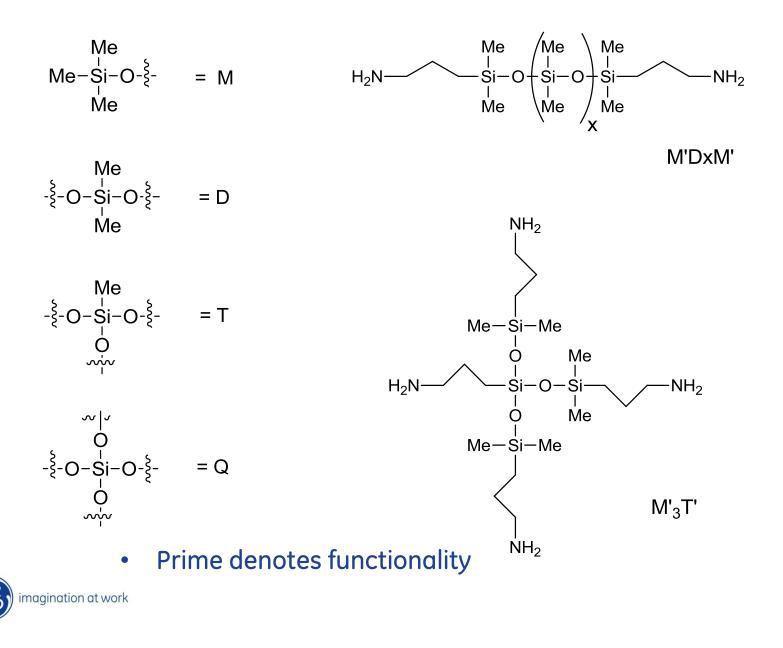
Synthetic Route 4: Siloxane Equilibration



- Siloxanes mixed and reaction allowed to go to equilibrium
- Catalyst is then removed or destroyed and volatiles (cyclics) stripped
- Can use functional "D" groups as well to control amine content
- Material is actually a mixture of species with average composition equal to target

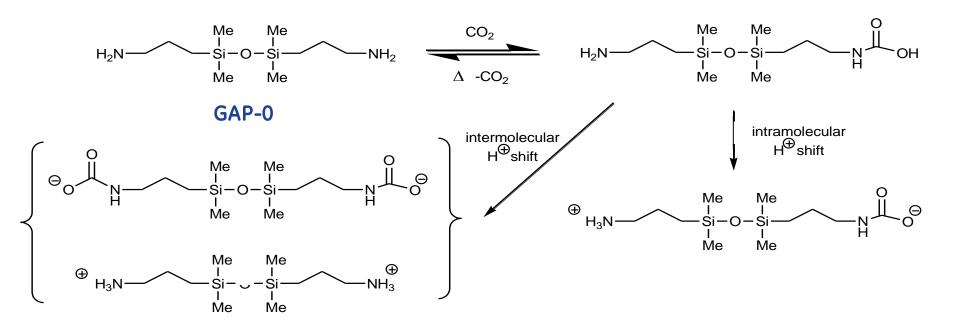


Silicone Nomenclature



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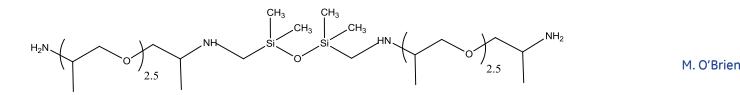
Carbamate Salt Formation with GAP-0



- Absorbs CO₂ very rapidly in the 40-50°C range
- High CO₂ loading (>17% weight gain, >95% of theoretical value)
- Carbamate readily decarboxylates at higher temps
- However carbamate is solid

Neat Aminosiloxane Summary

- Nearly all aminosiloxanes synthesized gave solid reaction products with CO₂.
 Depending on nature of solid=> variable CO₂ uptake (mass transfer issues)
- Exceptions were copolymers like:



However these materials showed inferior CO₂ uptake (<10% wt gain).
 Very viscous carbamates => again poor mass transfer tested in bulk

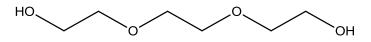
Given that carbamates are mostly solids or very viscous liquidswanted to test in non-aqueous co-solvents



Co-solvent Selection

- Needs to solubilize both aminosiloxane and carbamate at high concentrations
- High boiling to minimize evaporative loss on desorption
- Thermally stable/low toxicity/etc...
- Low specific heat

Best results obtained with ethylene glycol oligomers



Triethylene glycol (TEG) bp = 126° C/0.1 mm Hg Specific heat half of H₂O



CO₂ Uptake on Diaminosiloxanes

| Structure | Neat CO ₂ Wt Gain (% of Theoretical) | CO ₂ Wt Gain in TEG (% of Theoretical) |
|--|--|--|
| $H_2N \xrightarrow{Me Me}_{\substack{I \\ Si - O - Si}} NH_2$ | 17.3% (98%) | 10.2% (115%) |
| $H_2N Me Me I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I $ | 14.6% (92%) | 8.6% (108%) |
| $H_2N Me Me I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I $ | 13.5% (94%) | 8.2% (116%) |
| $H_2N \xrightarrow{Me Me}_{\substack{I \\ Si = O - Si \\ He Me}} NH_2$ | 9.5% (72%) | 5.4% (84%) |

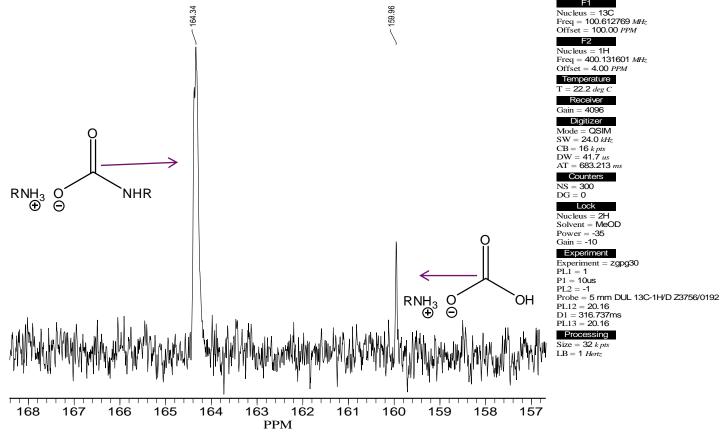
- All 1:1 TEG solutions gave liquid carbamate blends
- Improved mass transfer in liquid => closer to theoretical uptake
- Secondary amine & sterically hindered amine less efficient

Values >100% theoretical => bicarbonate formation (water in TEG)
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¹³C{¹H} NMR of GAP-0/CO₂ Reaction Products

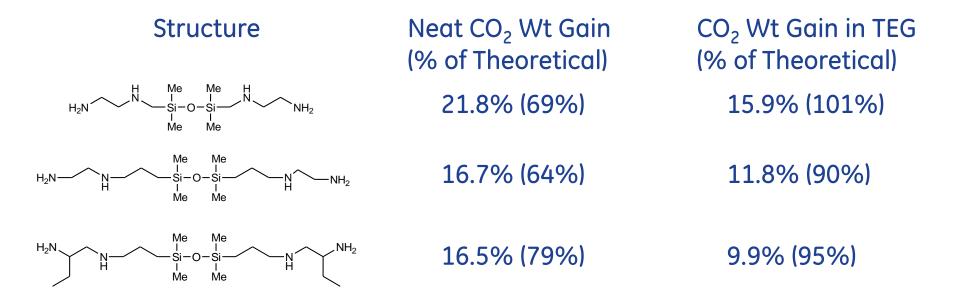
Carbonyl Region

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CO₂ Uptake Data: Tetra-aminosiloxanes



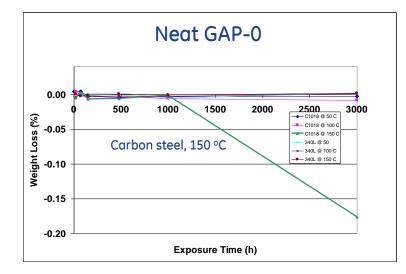
- Tetra-amines: theoretically 2 CO₂'s per molecule
- High CO₂ weight gain number neat but not as close to theoretical
 - Half the amines are secondary
 - Solids not as powdery \implies mass transfer issue
- TEG solutions all liquid, uptake closer to theoretical

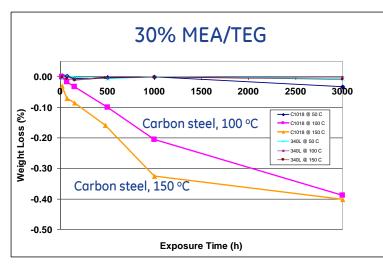
CO₂ Uptake Data: Aminosiloxane Oligomers

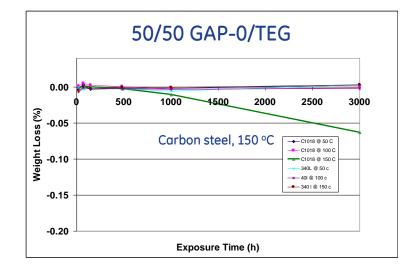
| Structure | Neat CO ₂ Wt Gain (% of Theoretical) | %TEG Needed Liquid Soln | CO ₂ Wt Gain in TEG (% of Theoretical) |
|-----------------------|--|----------------------------|--|
| M'DM' | 13.1% (96%) | 30% | 10.4% (109%) |
| M'D _{2.5} M' | 10.9% (107%) | 17% | 9.3% (107%) |
| M' ₃ T' | 18.8% (103%) | 50% | 9.8% (107%) |

- TEG also works well with oligomers
- Most cases less TEG is needed to maintain liquidity
- Advantage of oligomers: stable towards crystallization of carbamate

Corrosion Studies

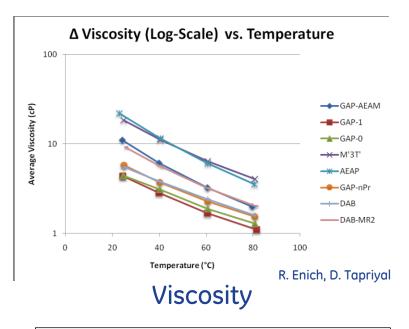


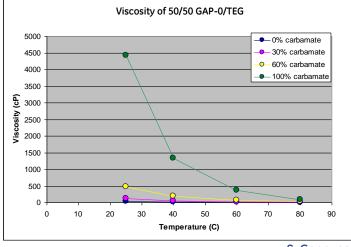




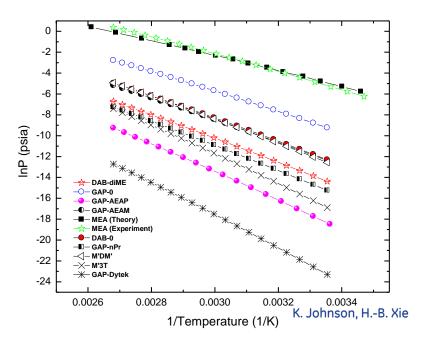
- SS coupons stable in all solvent systems
- Carbon steel stable in neat GAP-0 to 1000 h
- Weight loss/corrosion seen with carbon steel @ 150 °C in GAP-0/TEG and large effect with 30% MEA/TEG @ 100 °C

Physical Properties

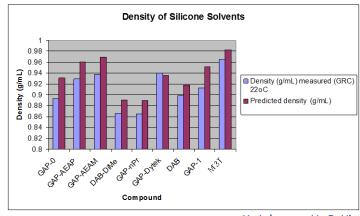








Vapor pressure

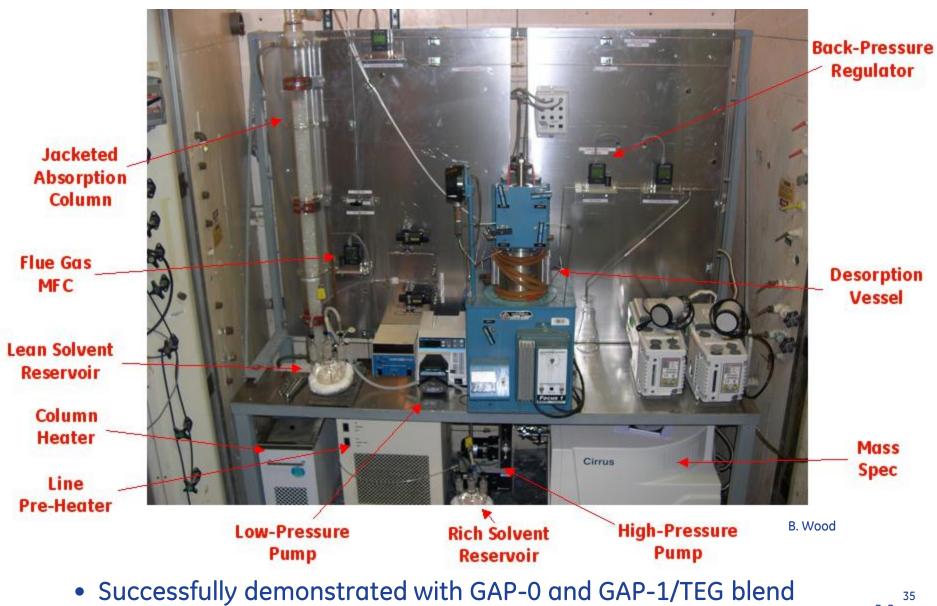


Density

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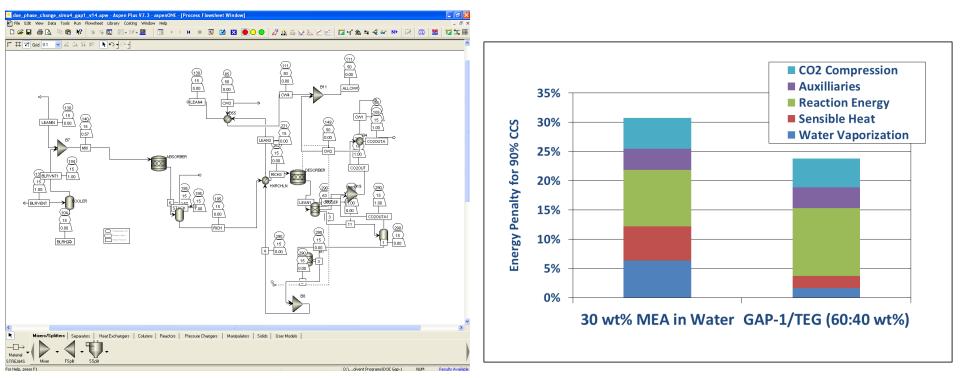
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Lab Demonstration of Continuous Process



• Over time GAP-0 carbamate crystallized while GAP-1 version did not 22/2013

Energy Penalty



- ASPEN Plus model built for CO₂ separation using GAP-1; Updated with experimental results
- Energy Penalty: GAP-1 EP for the overall system ~24% vs.
 ~31% for MEA



Aminosiloxane/Solvent Blend Summary

- Aminosiloxanes efficiently & reversibly react with CO₂
- Primary amine functionality works best
- Enhanced thermal stability and vapor pressure over MEA
- Polyethylene glycol derivatives like TEG can be used to maintain solution liquidity during CO₂ absorption
- Mass and heat transfer may be mitigated using TEG
- Best candidate currently appears to be GAP-1/TEG

Received additional DOE grant to scale this process up to 80-100X previous lab scale

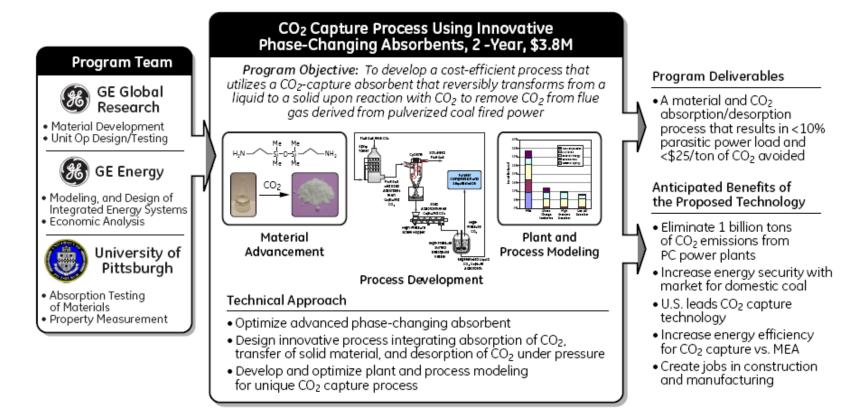
Bench-Scale Unit





- Fully automated
- Data gathering for pilot scale
- ~100x scale of lab-scale system

ARPA-E Phase Change Program



- 30% power lost in conventional MEA process (~80% increase in COE)
- Significant portion of that due to heating/condensing water
- Low water based processes reduce energy/cost (~50% COE increase)
- Eliminate all non-reactive co-solvents (potential of ~40% COE increase) ₃₉

Phase-Changing Absorbent



- Almost all neat aminosiloxanes give solid carbamate salts.
- Some were high quality, free-flowing powders
- Those that were powder exhibited high CO₂ uptake.

- Some >50% higher weight gain than 30% MEA

Could we devise a process to allow use of these materials?



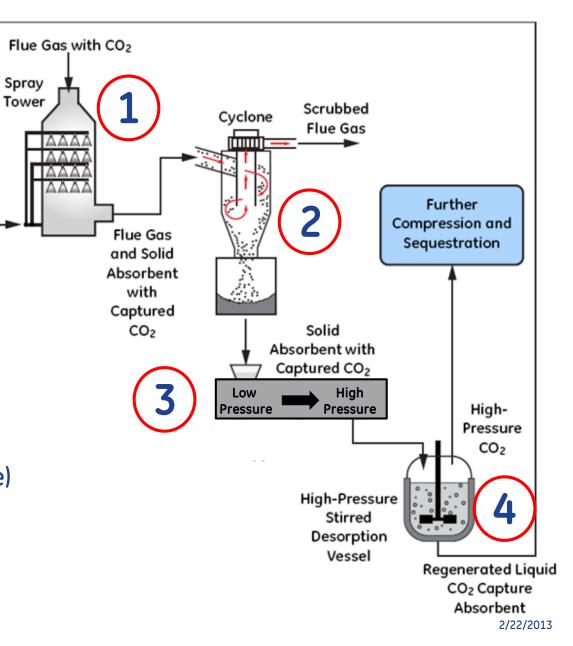






Phase Change Process

- 1 Make the solid (Solvent development)
- 2 Collect the solid (Solid isolation)
- 3 Move the solid (Solids transport)
- 4 Regenerate the solvent (CO₂ desorption and recycle)



Solvent Choice for Phase Change Approach

Solvent Requirements

- Low viscosity as liquid
- Highly solid carbamate salt -
- Low hygroscopicity as salt
- High CO_2 loading ($\geq 15\%$ weight gain)

Free flowing solid

- Low volatility (vapor pressure)
- High reaction rates
- High desorption pressure
- Low desorption energy
- Thermal stability over heat cycles
- Low cost

Need free flowing solid in order to facilitate material collection and transport.42 R. Perry

Solvent Evaluation: Form of Carbamate Salt

Studied impact of dry vs wet CO₂

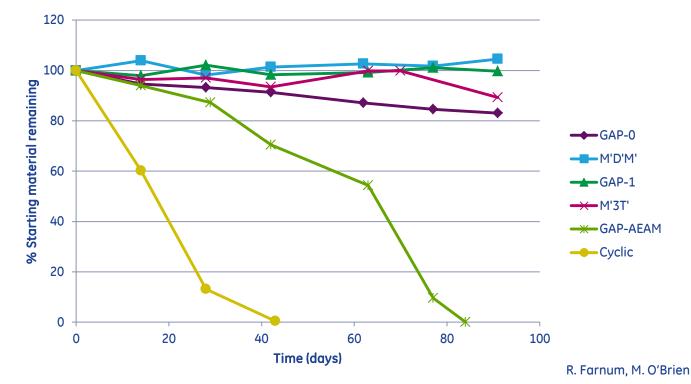
- Dry: CO₂ passed through drying tube before rxn with amine
- Wet: CO_2 passed through H_2O bubbler before rxn with amine.

| Solvent | Dry % Wt Gain (% of Theoretical) | Dry Salt Form | Wet % Wt Gain (% of Theoretical) | Wet Salt Form |
|--|-------------------------------------|---------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------|
| GAP-0 | 17.3 (98) | Powder | 18.4 (104) | Chunky Solid |
| GAP-1 | 13.1 (96) | Powder | 14.1 (103) | Sticky Wax |
| M'D'M' | 17.8 (99) | Powder | 16.6 (92) | Glass |
| M' ₃ T' | 18.8 (103) | Powder | 17.4 (96) | Sticky Gum |
| Me Me Si O Si Me NH ₂ NH ₂ | 17.3 (92) | Powder | 20.7 (109) | Powder M. O'Brien |

- Pure compounds GAP-0 & cyclic diamine looked best
- Oligomer-based salts softened with H_2O & became sticky

Thermal Stability

Determine inherent stability by heating to 150°C for 3 months

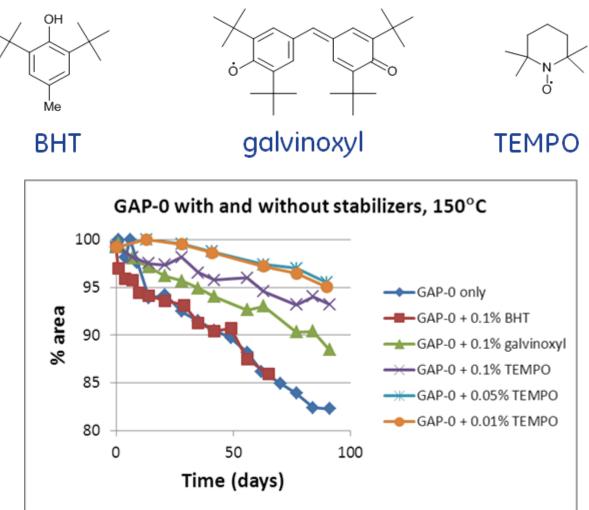


- Many materials show good inherent stability
- Cyclic diamine and GAP-AEAM are exceptions
- Studying decomposition products to provide insight into potential stabilization approaches (additives are commonly used in these systems) 2/22/2013

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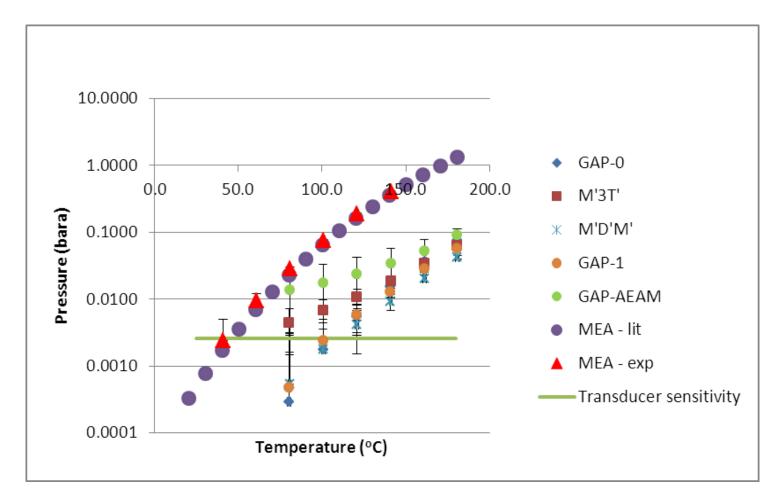
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Thermal Stability



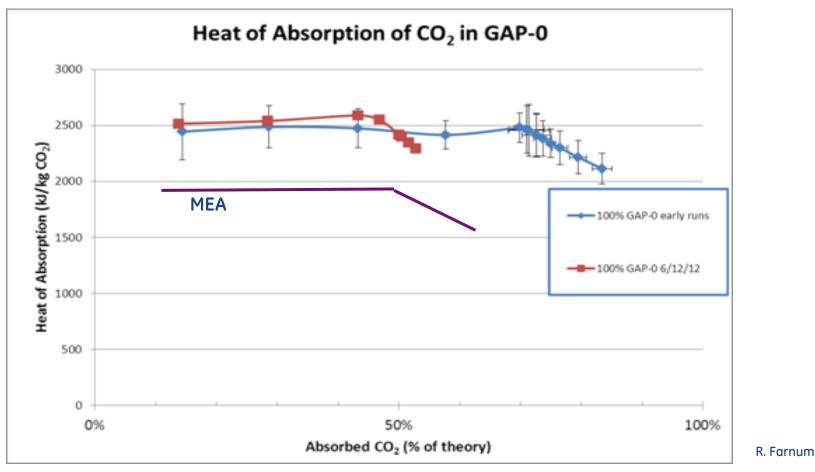
• Significant increase in stability with TEMPO

Vapor Pressure



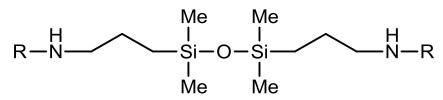
- MEA control shows excellent agreement with literature
- 1-2 orders of magnitude reduced vapor pressure vs MEA

Heats of Reaction



- GAP-0 ΔH_{rxn} ~ 2500 kJ/kg
- MEA ~ 1850 kJ/kg
- Breaks in curve indicate transition to physical absorption of CO₂
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Heats of Reaction

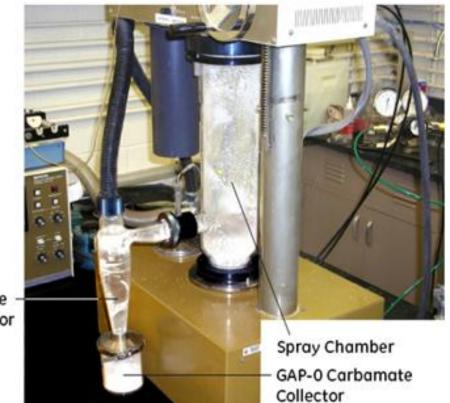


| Comp'd | R | % Wt Gain | % of Theory | Heat of Absorption (kJ/kg CO ₂) |
|--------|------------|--------------|----------------|---|
| GAP-0 | Н | 17.3 | 100 | 2554 |
| 1 | Methyl | 18.3 | 115 | 2168 |
| 2 | Ethyl | 16.5 | 114 | 2151 |
| 3 | Propyl | 14.3 | 108 | 2125 |
| 4 | Isopropyl | 6.1 | 46 | 2026 |
| 5 | Butyl | 13.1 | 107 | 2175 |
| 6 | Isobutyl | 10.8 | 89 | 2013 |
| 7 | t-Butyl | 0.6 | 5 | ND |
| 8 | Cyclohexyl | 8.5 | 85 | 2035 |

- \bullet Substantial decrease in ΔH_{rxn}
- All material were viscous liquids or pseudo-solids

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Solid Formation and Isolation

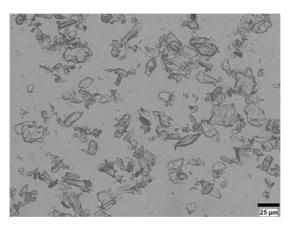


Cyclone Separator

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Microscopy of Particles

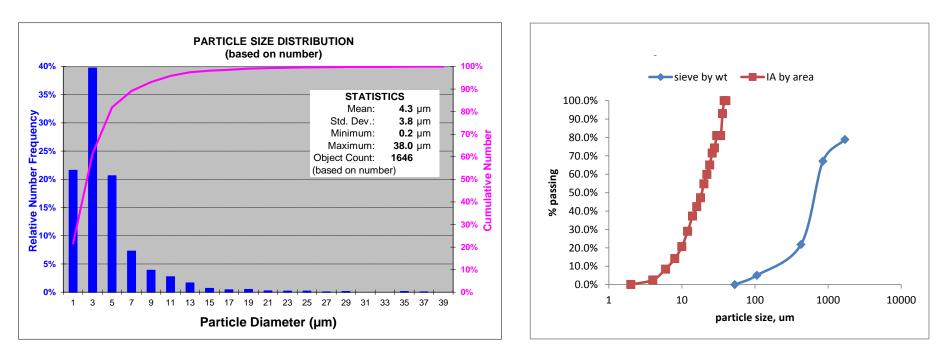


- Spray drier with co-current CO₂ flow
- Nearly instantaneous solid formation
- 50-400 g sample size

-Mean particles < 50 μ m -Need to optimize for solid isolation.

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PSD by Image Analysis



Mean size = 4.3 um Aspect ratio 0.6-1.0 (most 0.75-0.9)

Sieve measures agglomerate size (as expected)

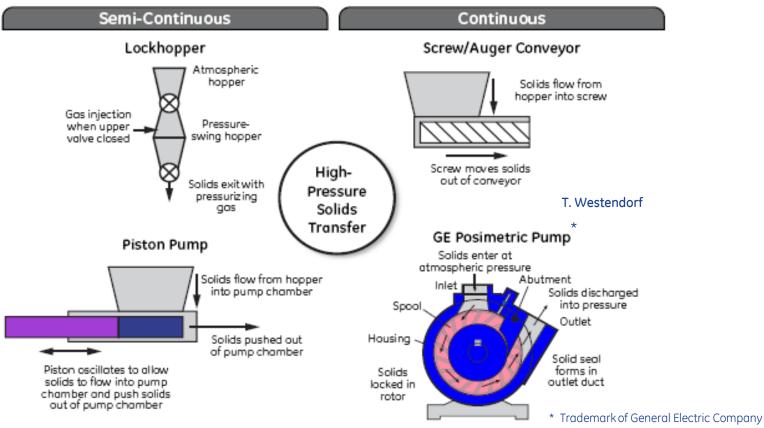
- \bullet For solids handling want ~ 500 μm particle size
- Desire larger particles

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Options for Solid Transport



- Contingent upon physical characteristics of solid
- Density, shape, cohesiveness, moisture content, thermal stability
- Integration between absorber and desorber
- Low pressure to high pressure
- Slurry transport

Slurry Transport

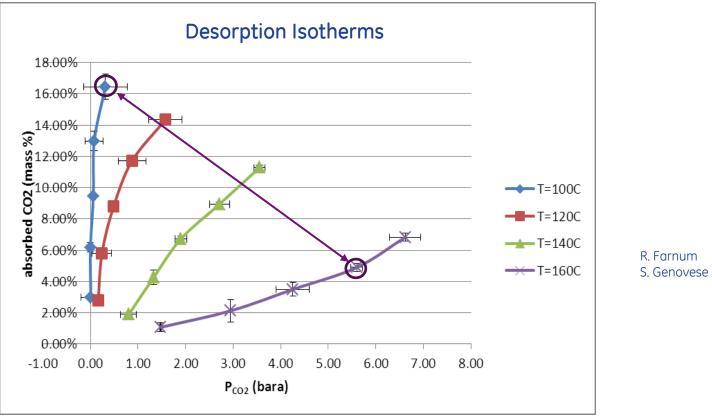




settling of slurry mixtures

- Dual ISCO high pressure pumps
- Pump 50-60 wt % slurry into desorption vessel
- Problem w/ settling and structuring
- Loss of capture capacity

Desorption



Error bars = 95% CI

- Neat GAP-0 data
- Rich Solvent >16% CO₂ to Lean Solvent <5% CO₂
- ~11% dynamic range
- CO₂ can be desorbed at relatively high pressure.

Unit Operations



- Two spray reactors, 1 w/ MS capability
- Slurry transfer unit with ISCO pumps
- CSTR as high pressure desorption apparatus
- All operations functional
- Next step integrated system







Improvements in Desorption

- Not satisfied with desorption process
- Sacrificing inherent ability of GAP-0
- Revisit solids transport
- Use an extruder as a transport device
- PRISM twin screw extruder





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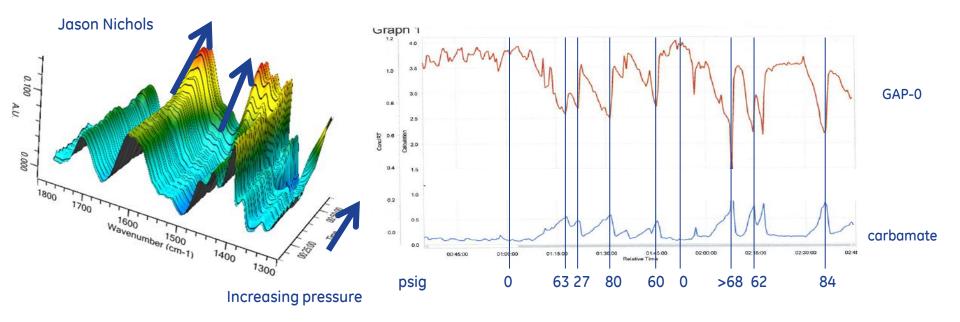
Further Improvements

- Take process one step further
- Use extruder to desorb CO₂ from carbamate
- combine 2 unit operations
- save space and money





FT-IR for real time monitoring



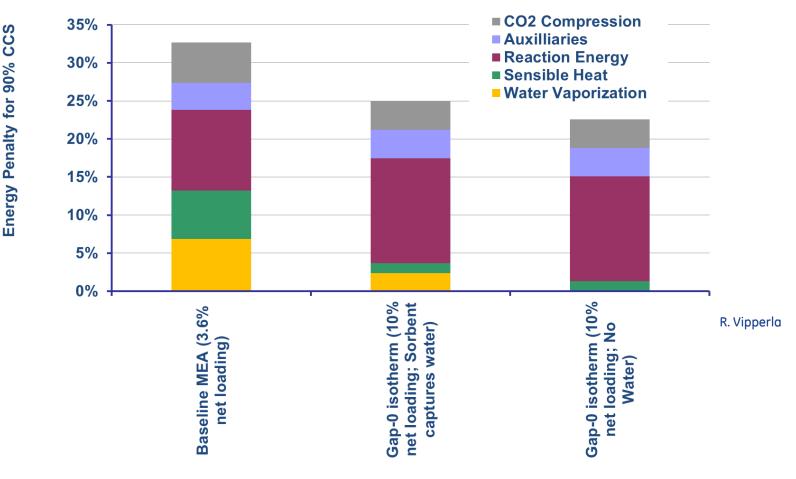
- Effective tool for in-situ monitoring of carbamate formation
- Real time measurement
- Change in intensity of signals related to carbamate concentration

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Moving Forward

- Designing and building continuous system
- New, larger absorption unit
- Examining nozzle configurations
- Incorporate extruder into system
- Installing analytical instrumentation
- Gather data for mass balance
- Building ASPEN model for predictive capabilities

Preliminary Energy Penalty Waterfall



- Large savings with reduced water
- 24- 32% reduction in energy consumption
- Savings with higher CO₂ pressure

Summary

- Novel use of aminosilicone sorbents for CO₂ capture
- 4th year of effort
- 2 parallel programs ongoing
- Solution-based system in bench-scale phase
- Skid commissioned in Jan 2013
- Unique phase-change process demonstrated
- Designing an integrated system
- Looking for opportunities to leverage this technology in appropriate businesses
- Partner with external industries to validate process(es) and bring value to both

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Thank You